

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. [Currently Amended] A high temperature food preparation film comprising:
a blended monolayer thermoplastic elastomer film for use in high temperature cooking applications comprising:
from about [[90]] 40 to about 10 weight percent, based on the total weight of said blended monolayer thermoplastic film, of thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers; and
from about [[10]] 60 to about 90 weight percent, based on the total weight of said blended monolayer thermoplastic film, of non-elastic polyesters; said high temperature cooking applications occurring at from about 212 degrees Fahrenheit to about 400 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film has a tensile yield strength of at least 2900 pounds per square inch.
3. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film provides an oxygen barrier having a permeability coefficient of less than about 100 cc-mil per hundred square inches per day.
4. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film provides a water vapor barrier having a transmission coefficient of less than about 20 gms/100 in²/day.
5. [Cancelled].
6. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein said thermoplastic elastomer

block copolymers are selected from a group consisting of polyester-ester block copolymers, polyether-ester block copolymers, or combinations thereof.

7. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein said non-elastic polyester is a reaction product of a carboxylic acid and a diol.

8. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The blended monolayer thermoplastic film] of claim 1, wherein the non-elastic polyester is polybutylene terephthalate.

9-10. [Cancelled].

11. [Currently Amended] A high temperature food preparation film comprising:
a multi-layered thermoplastic elastomer film comprising:

a first layer comprising [from about 90 to about 10 weight percent, based on the total weight of said thermoplastic film, of] thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers; and

a second layer comprising [from about 10 to about 90 weight percent, based on the total weight of said thermoplastic film, of] non-elastic polyesters;

wherein said high temperature food preparation occurs at from about 212 degrees Fahrenheit to about 400 degrees Fahrenheit;

said blended monolayer thermoplastic elastomer film not substantially adhering to food during said high temperature food preparation.

12. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said multi layer thermoplastic film has a tensile yield strength of at least 4000 pounds per square inch.

13. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said multi layer thermoplastic film provides a water

vapor barrier having a transmission coefficient of less than about 20 gms/100 in²/day.

14. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said multi layer thermoplastic film provides an oxygen barrier having a permeability coefficient of less than 100 cc-mil per hundred square inches per day.

15. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers are selected from a group consisting of polyester-ester block copolymers, polyether-ester block copolymers, or combinations thereof.

16. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said non-elastic polyester is the reaction product of a carboxylic acid and a diol.

17. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein the non-elastic polyester is polybutylene terephthalate.

18. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said multi layer thermoplastic film comprises [up to] from about 90 to about 60 weight percent of non-elastic polyesters, and [at least] from about 10 to about 40 weight percent of thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers, based on the total weight of said multi layer thermoplastic film.

19. [Cancelled].

20. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said first layer comprises an interior film layer and said second layer comprises an exterior film layer.

21. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said first layer has a film thickness from about .0001 to about .01 inches and said second layer has a film thickness from about .0001 to about .01 inches.
22. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, further comprising at least one additional layer comprising thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers, non-elastic polyesters, or a combination thereof.
23. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation film [The multi layer thermoplastic film] of claim 11, wherein said multi-layered films are fabricated by:
 - co-extruding said first and second layers;
 - extruding the first and second layers separately, disposing the second layer on the first layer, and forming the multi-layered film by rolling the first layer and second layer between a heated roller; or
 - by disposing the first layer and the second layer between an interleaving adhesive layer.
24. [Currently Amended] A high temperature food preparation bag [A bag for holding a product] comprising:
 - a sealed end;
 - at least one side wall extending away from said sealed end, each of said at least one side wall having a distal edge; and
 - an open end defined by said distal edge;said bag formed from a blended thermoplastic elastomer film comprising:
 - from about [[90]] 40 to about 10 weight percent, based on the total weight of said thermoplastic film, of thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers; and
 - from about [[10]] 60 to about 90 weight percent, based on the total weight of said thermoplastic film, of non-elastic polyesters;

wherein said high temperature food preparation occurs at from about 212 degrees Fahrenheit to about 400 degrees Fahrenheit;
said thermoplastic elastomer film not substantially adhering to food during said high temperature food preparation.

25-26. [Cancelled].

27. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim [[25]] 24, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film has a tensile yield strength of at least 2900 pounds per square inch.

28. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim [[25]] 24, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film provides an oxygen barrier having a permeability coefficient of less than 100 cc-mil per hundred square inches per day.

29. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim [[25]] 24, wherein said blended monolayer thermoplastic film provides a water vapor barrier having a transmission coefficient of less than about 20 gms/100 in²/day.

30. [Currently Amended] A high temperature food preparation bag comprising:

a sealed end;

at least one side wall extending away from said sealed end, each of said at least one side wall having a distal edge; and

an open end defined by said distal edge;

[The bag for holding a product of claim 24, wherein said thermoplastic film a comprises]said bag formed from a multi-layered film comprising:

 a first layer comprising [[said]] thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers;
and

 a second layer comprising [[said]] non-elastic polyesters;

wherein said high temperature food preparation occurs at from about 212 degrees Fahrenheit to about 400 degrees Fahrenheit;
said multi-layered thermoplastic elastomer film not substantially adhering to food during said high temperature food preparation.

31. [Cancelled].
32. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30, wherein said multi-layered film has a tensile yield strength of at least 4000 pounds per square inch.
33. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30, wherein said multi-layered film provides an oxygen barrier having a permeability coefficient of less than 100 cc-mil per hundred square inches per day.
34. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30, wherein said multi-layered film provides a water vapor barrier having a transmission coefficient of less than about 20 gms/100 in²/day.
35. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30 wherein said first layer that comprises an interior film layer and said second layer comprises an exterior layer.
36. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30 wherein said first layer has a film thickness from about .0001 to about .01 inches and said second layer has a film thickness from about .0001 to about .01 inches.
37. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 30 wherein said thermoplastic film further comprises at least one additional layer comprising thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers, non-elastic polyesters, or a combination thereof.

38. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 24 wherein said thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers are selected from a group consisting of polyester-ester block copolymers, polyether-ester block copolymers, or combinations thereof.

39. [Canceled].

40. [Currently Amended] The high temperature food preparation bag [for holding a product] of claim 24 wherein the non-elastic polyester is polybutylene terephthalate.

41-66 [Cancelled].

67. [New] The high temperature food preparation bag of claim 30 wherein said thermoplastic elastomer block copolymers are selected from a group consisting of polyester-ester block copolymers, polyether-ester block copolymers, or combinations thereof.

68. [New] The high temperature food preparation bag of claim 30 wherein the non-elastic polyester is polybutylene terephthalate.

69. [New] The high temperature food preparation film of claim 1, wherein food products in contact with said blended monolayer thermoplastic elastomer film during said high temperature food preparation are not damaged due to adherence of said blended monolayer thermoplastic elastomer film to said food product during said high temperature food preparation.

70. [New] The high temperature food preparation film of claim 11, wherein food products in contact with said multi-layered thermoplastic elastomer film during said high temperature food preparation are not damaged due to adherence of said multi-layered thermoplastic elastomer film to said food product during said high temperature food preparation.

71. [New] The high temperature food preparation bag of claim 24, wherein food products in contact with said blended thermoplastic elastomer film during said high temperature food preparation are not damaged due to adherence of said blended thermoplastic elastomer film to said food product during said high temperature food preparation.

72. [New] The high temperature food preparation bag of claim 30, wherein food products in contact with said multi-layered thermoplastic elastomer film during said high temperature food preparation are not damaged due to adherence of said thermoplastic elastomer film to said food product during said high temperature food preparation.